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This report contains the results from the quarterly *Milk Production Report*. The data are also posted on our Web site at <http://www.nass.usda.gov/ms>. Thanks to all who responded to the questionnaires and interviews for these surveys.

Fourth Quarter Milk Production Up 10 Percent

Mississippi milk production during the October-December 2014 quarter was 44 million pounds, up 2 percent from the same period in 2013, and up 10 percent from the July-September 2014 quarter. The average number of milk cows on farms during the quarter was 12,000 head, 1,000 head fewer than the same period last year and down 500 head from the previous quarter.

Milk production in the United States during the October - December quarter totaled 50.9 billion pounds, up 3.4 percent from the October - December quarter last year.

The average number of milk cows in the United States during the quarter was 9.28 million head, 16,000 head more than the July - September quarter, and 83,000 head more than the same period last year.

Milk Cows and Production by Quarter, Mississippi, and U.S. 2012-2014

Item/Period	Mississippi				United States			
	2012	2013	2014	% Change from '13	2012	2013	2014	% Change from '13
Milk Cows¹	<i>Thousand Head</i>				<i>Thousand Head</i>			
1 st Quarter, January - March	14.5	³	13.0	-	9,257	³	9,214	-
2 nd Quarter, April - June	14.0	³	13.0	-	9,259	³	9,253	-
3 rd Quarter, July - September	14.0	13.0	12.5	-3.8	9,211	9,224	9,268	0.5
4 th Quarter, October - December	14.0	13.0	12.0	-7.7	9,203	9,201	9,284	0.9
Milk Production²	<i>Million Pounds</i>				<i>Million Pounds</i>			
1 st Quarter, January - March	58	52	52	-	50,105	50,545	51,046	1.0
2 nd Quarter, April - June	54	51	51	-	51,562	51,997	52,861	1.7
3 rd Quarter, July - September	41	39	40	2.6	48,727	49,408	51,148	3.5
4 th Quarter, October - December	46	43	44	2.3	49,143	49,268	50,939	3.4

¹ Average number for the period includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

² Excludes milk nursed by calves.

³ Survey was not conducted in April and July.

Milk Production: Mississippi and U.S. October-December, 2005-2014

